CITY OF ST. PAUL

Prof. Swensberg Describes Its Princely Beauties.

RAPID RISE IN POPULATION

ting Data Concerning Its Remarkable Progress-Observations on Grand Rapids.

[LETTER NUMBER MANIE.] Saint Paul, the quoen city of the north, is situated at the head of the Missteamboat navigation. The queen looked its best at our last visit. Commerce sat smilingly at her feet. The great number of iron highways, with the 300 daily trains and numerous steamers, are all eager to do her bidding for the commercial and heavy jobbing interests of the great northwest.

Her sister city, Minneapolis, called "Pad City," or Padville, during the cen-

and humber. The fight between these two cities has been in progress for years. It has been sharp, aggressive and somewhat bitter in its nature. Especially was it so on the enumeration question, each claiming at the time that the other had given in the names of the dead. Their visiting friends are said to have been numerous at that particular time, and they

convenient to supply their places by giving the names of their horses, their degs their cuts and their pet birds as The latter's building cost nearly as mornibers of the families. The two much. These buildings are sights to cities have been growing toward each other in a warlike spirit. Some think that they would in time consolidate into one great city, but in this case a new manie would have to be substituted as neither one as aid consent to live under the present name of the other. What the happy joint name of the two cities be, were they to unite in marringe, no one is able to say, but remedies terious way. They are now called "Twin Cities," and appropriately, too, but have the clargest relationship

Pad and Pat.

St. Paul whaptized his sister and calls her Pad City, and in turn the eister rebaptized her beether and called him These two names suggested to us a half way between name and the same was proposed to the editor of the Pioneer Press for calm consideration. The new name as suggested at the time, should the two cities consolidate, is "St. Pad City." This would give St. Paul a part of its original pet name, which is "Saint," and Minneapolis the e given it by her brother Paul, which is "Ped City." in the new version, would be divided between the two, one half of it being given to each. This would seem to be a fair and equitable division. case satisfactory to all concern

Great improvements are being made in both cities. Public buildings, high. strong, costly and beautiful are being erected. Business blocks, grand and massive; private residences of the latest architectural beauty, state house, city hall, opera house, issulevards, parks sidewalks and street rai wave. all of which are of such symmetrical and durable construction as to attract strangers, investors and home seekers at eight. Their improvements are made permanent, for a futher. It costs more at present, but it is a money saving, practical business way of doing things. This is what brings capital and a desirable class of people to any city. It brings rich and poor, but they are of the desirable, progressive class who will help to elevate any community in which they live. The people are not penurious, they do not stand in the way of im provoments; they believe in a future for their city. Everything is done in such a way se to allowet capital from the east and foreign countries,

Extensive Improvements.

Many line and substantial improve ments are being made along the river bintfa by the building of masave stone walls, costing thousands of dellars. This gives employment to thousands of men. Large, wide stone and iron besiges are being built across the Minimippi river and the valleys Aqueducts and viaducts are being constructed at great cost, morey being trought from the east and paid to mechanics and laboring men, with writed they build fine houses for them

Our first visit to St. Paul was at the close of 58. It then had along 5,000 in habitanta. We see there again in then in 60. During these three years it had made its way up to 2000. We were these again in 50. By this time the child half reached its years of maturity. Whose reflect over the past and think of the many wanderful changes that have come with time to this wonderful city; when we look upon its present discont proportions and excelully compare the same with the past then will seems to us like a dream. see an experient landmark of TA CO Not and 12). These are the primitive one and two energy findings. A few of the station and state nine's were stone, By beautiful and costly six to fourteen story blocks Compared with the oil, monthly officers against from the old one, and two story infector facilities. extrans from even severe - from dag oute. fragality and rise of property they may cans soung the first to wealth and

sit. Eval tous grown from a strandling Practice from the enginesis and the cities to a queen down the hughlands and the to a queen thou the highlands and the binds of nearly 200000 scale. What a change is now and price of internal lands during those that there yours, from challent to the course and form of their same, and you there have not reached the top, We wise St. Fant our boat. quarters for murty one month making d renging trips to the earness points of There was much to be ween moved for learn and specie to delight the observing. St. Padi stands high in progressive florg, it is worthy of the great species mane, "St. Paul." All we had heard remit and thought since 1970 :

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the State Scidiers' home are located at the juncture of the junction of the Mis-sissippi, Misnesota and Minnehaha-rivers, a distance of about seven miles. Those are beautiful and romantic sights These are beautiful and romantic eights for human eyes to feast upon. All about here are located the tine home like abodes of many persons who have come here from all parts of the country. Fine avenues wind around the base of great hills, through vales and dales, along the river sides and tops of sightly picturesque-like panoramic bluffs. Thousands of visitors find health here amidst the most beautiful scenery and lovely views in America, finding here all lovely views in America, finding here all the comforts and luxuries of the best re-fined home lives to be found anywhere

on earth.

We find the citizens among the most public and progressive spirited, awake to every public improvement of advancement and high order, all of which has a ment and high order, all of which has a ment and high order, their city. They tendency to advance their city. They do not do things by littles for the lime being; they are broad minded and broad gauged, and it is the public spirited impulse which makes their city prosper-

St. Paul's Newspapers. Public spirited and well patronized newspapers are among the prominent and essential features to aid the pros-perity of a city; they inspire, and are a powerful influence for good or bad. St. Paul has such papers, and they are well supported by the citizens, the manu-facturers and the business men. But for supremacy (not altogether in a friendly way) for commercial honors. Their merchandise is of an entirely different nature, being wheat, flour, logs and lumber.

Tacturers and the fusiness men. But they are no better than our Grand Rapids journals, nor as good, taking into "consideration the patronage given them and the rates paid per line for space. They are not "penny a line ers," and the most thrown in, "free of charge. Their advertising rates are from 25 to 100 cents a line upward, and a great deal of Selicitors do not have to wear out a pair of shoes to secure an inch ad at 5 or 10 cents. Papers well patronized can afford to make good papers, such as are a credit to their city, and the same time help the business and growth of the city. Where papers prosper the city prospers; one helps the other. The Pioneer Press and Globe buildings are These who had no children made it fair samples of prosperity. The former's paymient to supply their places by building is thirteen stories high, a most magnificent structure; cost, \$1,000,000. Would it not be a great ad for Grand Rapids to have two or more fine newspaper publishing houses? The business men and newspaper men should work together, go on the march of progress hand in hand and each help the other. Wherever we have been, that is, in cities of any importance, we have always seen fine newspaper blocks.

St. Paul's hotels, churches, colleges and schoolhouses are of the most pleasing and costly character. They compare with the most pretentious buildings of any American or European city. The views among the woodland hights, lakes, rivers and architecture are all that eye, mind and heart can desire. It will be but a few years when the twin sisters will have a population of half a million. Duluth and the Superior cities at the head of Lake Superior and foot of St. Louis river St. Paul and Minne-apolis at the head of Mississippi river navigation—Chicago, at the head of Lake Michigan and Lake navigation— St. Louis at the junction of the Missis-sippi. Missouri and the Ohio, with their tributaries—New Orleans at the foot of the Mississippi and the head of the Gulf of Mexico, with the many southern river tributaries, may well feel proud of seem to be a fair and equitable division. But this is simply a suggestion for future consideration and for adoption in case satisfactors to all constants. direct north and south, with slight varican we say of Grand Rapids? May it not become an inland lake port? May it not easily be made the head of Grand river and lake navigation? What is to hinder it from taking a position and name with other cities? Ali that will hinder it from taking its proper position among other prosperous cities is its own citizens. If we would all unite and press our claims, instead of opposing our rights, we would double its population in less than a quarter of a century, mod-estly speaking. It has cost the United States and cities millions of dollars to open lake and river channels. What has Grand Rapids to discourage it?

Hotels and Churches.

Prophesy stands appalled when at-tempting to fix the future of any of these cities, with many others yet to speak of. St. Paul and Minneapolis have shown great gains in the past ten years; they will show greater if they do not make a mistake in running their real estate, already very high, beyond the reach of the moderately well to do people who are constantly seeking desirable homes. Whatever their future, they stand today prominent in progress, in beauty, in ac-quired as well as natural position, conadering the few years they have had in getting where they now are. But we must say adicu, with more

TROUBLESOME GRADE LINES. Residents on Richard Terrace Wish to know Where They Are At.

C. G. S.

The board of public works held a longer session than usual yesterday, but accomplished little, if any, more work

than is usually accomplished.

Mr. Stone of the Cleveland Stone company appeared before the board and nucle a statement that he had been shut out from building on furnishing curb stone for Scribner street and Hail street. For some reason the wording of specifications the Berean stone was shut out. Mr. Stone called attention to the fact that the contractor on Hall street was preparing to use a curb stone not called for by the specifications. He also stated that the contractor on Scribher street was waiting to see if the board would not order Berean stone for

D. H. Armstrong and W. J. Spreat appeared before the board again to state that they were not satisfied with the grade line on Eichard terrace. When the grade was first established it made. a sight cut in the street, and a long pe tition came in to have it raised tenal complied with the request and raised the grade two and one had been which makes too much of a fill in one part of the street. There is now a kirk. coming from the other direction, and they would be have the grade lowered to its original level. The city engineer was instructed to visit the street and report what is best to be sinn. Afterwise, clienteener of the cuch stone question the specifications on Hall and Scribner. streets were amended so that Berean stone may compete for the late. A. letter from the tourd of trade asking the beard to sufablish a more strongent

regard to the condition in which streets see left after being form up was placed C. ti. Pulcher applied for a position as inspector R. N. Belkeap, J. L. Phillips, I. Stewart and O. White made studies applications, which were reformed to the general experintement. C. W. Turn asked to have water

rule with plumbers and pipe layers in

mains in Weilington place. Referred to The city stretches a distance of five to general superingeniest.

such miles in different directions, take the following follo

\$5.25; T. W. Greenley, 612.50; R. R. Haysiett, \$21.25; L. L. Launiere, \$23.50; M. V. Curtis, \$23.25; J. E. Baldwin,

The following approximate estimates were reported: Sewer in Park avenue, \$1,504.10; sewer in Dayton street, \$1,621.10, improving Grandville avenue, \$2,855; improving Vries street, \$3,862; improving Quigley street, \$2,517; improving Flat street, \$6,620; sewer in Quarry street, \$41260; sewer in Dwight avenue, \$635.70; sewer in Crosby street, \$1,555.20; sewer in Madison and other streets, \$4,088.00.

A discussion took place over the advisebility of making the contractor who makes a gracied street keep the street in repair for one year. It was decided that the contractor would bid higher on such a contract and the repairs would have to be paid for by the property on the street, giving them an additional burden which now is paid out of the highway

THE WESTERN BEEF & Provision fer better meats at lower prices than any

World's Fair Gowns.

These garments are all the rage at present, and are made up by Miss Straight for \$50.00 and upward.

THE CORN FED meats sold by the Western Beef & Provision Company are unexcelled. Try

Travis gives you great bargains. He sells anything under the sun. See the great Gellar, the aerial wonder, at Smith's opera house Sunday

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Musical instruments of all kinds at Julius A. J. Friedrich's, 30 and 32 Canal

BANKRUPI SALE of the Hartman stock of Pianos, Organs and Furniture. Doors now

See the Wards, the Irish sketch team, at Smith's opera house Sunday night.

BAD ECZEMA ON BABY

Head one Solld Sore. Itching Awful. Had to Tie His Hands to Cradle. Cured by Cutleurar

Our little boy broke out on his head with a bed form of eczema, when he was four months old. We tried three doctors, but they did not help him. We then used your three CUTICUMA REMEDIES, and after using them sleven weeks exactly according to directions, he began to steadily improve, and after the use of them for seven months his head was entirely well. When we began using it his head was niso all over his ears, unout of his eyebrows. It was also all over his ears, unout of his face, and small places on different parts of his body. There were sixten weeks that we had to heep

usfe in recommending them to others. UEO. B. & JANETTA HARRIS, Webster, Ind.

The new blood and Skin Purifier, and greatest of Humor Remedies, cisenses the blood of all impartice and potentials are selected as the great skin cure, and Curicuas Hoar, an exquisite skin beautifier, ciser the skin and scalp, and restore the hair. Thus the Curicuas Ring, and purifier, sealy, pinpir, and bloody skin, easip, and blood diseases, from pimpies to scrofnia, from infancy to age, when the best physicians fall.

Bold everywhere. Price, Cuticuna, Sc.; Soar, Sc.; Rasolvant, \$1.00. Prepared by the Pottun Dade and Cunnical Conforation, Boston.

3-Send for "How to Cure Skin Diseases," 64 pages, 50 lifustrations, and 100 testimonials.

BABY'S Shin and Scalp purified and beautified by Curreum Soar. Absolutely pure



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Is the Best Dressed Man in Grand Rapids.

Is part of an over heard street ere conversation.

He is an up-to-date busiman that respects himself too much to spend 20 minutes and \$18 for a suit of clothes that he's got to sit in, walk in, talk in all summer. His this spring's e choice is a dressy pattern

Business Suit of · Scotch Cheviot.

> Easy \$25 Stylish in Durable \$35

> > He sprade his Clother

Always the Cheapest.

24 Monroe St.

UP GOES THE BLACK

FLAG

We Are Going to Play "Pirate" and Spare Neither Friend Nor Foe.

IT'S BIG BUSINESS WE ARE AFTER

And We Are Going to Have It If

CUT PRICES

Will Bring It.

During this week we will give your choice of any Black Silk or Derby

That \$5.00 AT \$3.50 We Have \$3.50 AT \$2.75 \$3.00 AT \$2.25 TUESDAY, MAY 16 Always \$2.50 AT \$1.75 Sold \$2.co AT \$1.50 For.

Our reputation for having the "latest styles and best qualties" you know is good.

The object in playing such havoc with prices you do not care to know, so long as you get

WHAT WE ADVERTISE

And True It Is, That Never in the History of Grand Rapids Have Such Low Prices Been Made on "Hatter's Hats" as Those Mentioned in These Columns.

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BORN, "The Hatter"

54 MONROE ST.

ALL WEEK AND A

THE TOWER

Poorl and Moures Sts., Grand Rapids, M.

The Greatest Bargain Event That Ever Took Place in Michigan!

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We won't wait for the season to advance in clearing our store of our spring stock of clothes. One glance at our enormous display of styles will prove it to be the largest, handsomest and best assortment to be found in any single store in Grand Rapids. We shall make a clean breast of our entire stock by crushing profits out of existence. It's a foregone conclusion that you must have Spring Clothes. This is your chance to save

From \$5 to \$10 on the Purchase of Any Suit or Overcoat Bought in Our Store.

BIG BARGAIN WEEK!

THIS WEEK For extra fine stylish tailormade suits and top coats, of the finest fabrics and colors; best workmanship and finish ever shown in any garment for double the money.

reduced from

\$18

THIS WEEK For the highest grade double breasted and cutaway suits ever dollar and stylish silk face overcoats, which we challenge the tailors to equal for less than \$30.

\$25 Equally big values in Boys' Suits and Men's We invite your inspection of these values before

spending a dollar for clothing. High Art Clothiers--Economical Dressers of Men and Boys,

HUDSON'S

TOWER

CLOTHING CO.

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ORDER YOUR ICE. S. P. BENNETT

Systematic Treatment Racels Hot Springs, Mineral Springs, Sanita-riums or Hospitals. Cured at your homes for one-half the cost of your board at such places. FUEL AND ICE CO. Dr. W.H. ROSS, Grand Rapids, Mich.

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The Greatest Shoe and Slipper Sale of the Season, For One Day Only,

Sale Begins at 8 a. m. at

M. EHRMAN'S SHOE STORE.

NO. 60 CANAL ST.

Having bought part of the large retail stock of shoes of William Richards & Co., retail dealers of Baltimore, Md., we will sell some of the biggest bargains ever heard of on this day-Tuesday, May 16. One dollar in cash will buy three dollars' worth of goods. Here is a great chance to buy Shoes and Slippers at your own price. Sale starts at 8 a. m.

READ THESE PRICES!

A lot of Children's Shoes, sizes 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5; 14c buys this lot. Every pair worth 40c. Come early before they are sold. A lot of Misses' Opera Toe Slippers; 43c buys this lot.

43C Just think of the price, not the cost of material, (13, 1, 11, 2 and 2); worth \$1.25.

A lot of Ladies' House Slippers; 53c buys this lot. A splendid slipper for wear. Ladies, every pair of these worth 90c. Sizes 3 to 8. There are a limited amount of

TO A lot of Ladies' fine Dongola, button or lace Shoes, made up very nicely and fine fitters. We have all widths, except A. Sizes 21 to 7. For comfort and wear, here is your chance. \$1.58 buys this lot.

A lot of Ladies' French Kid, button and lace Shoes, hand turned, patent leather tips high or low heels; elegant goods, made by Hamilton, Brown & Co. of St. Louis. Mo. We have a few A. B. C and D widths in button and all widths in lace. "These goods were made for the finest city trade only." Are lovely goods. We will close out this lot for \$2.20; worth from \$4 to \$7, Be sure and come early. All sizes, except 312

A lot of Men's fine Dress Shoes, Calf or Kangaroo, We have laced, gaiters and congress; all styles in toes; light or heavy weight. A splendid shoe for wear. We will sell what there is of them for \$1.69, All sizes, except 10th. Nice, stylish goods, and will wear equal to custom make. Some of these shoes are worth from \$3 to \$5. Gents, here is a great chance to save money.

Our entire large stock will be marked down for this great sale, so if you want Shoes or Slippers it will pay you to call at this great special sale Tuesday, May 16. Sale begins at 8 a. m.

69 CANAL STREET.